

## PATENT

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### ELECTION

Sir:

This is responsive to the Restriction Requirement contained in the Office Action dated September 29, 2006. Applicants hereby elect Species I as shown in Fig. 1, without traverse, in response to the Restriction Requirement. Additionally, Applicants believe that claims 1-8, 10-18 and 22-24 read on the elected species of Fig. 1.

If the Examiner has any questions related to this election, the Examiner is asked to telephone the undersigned attorney for prompt resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

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